

Introduced by Senator DeSaulnier

February 12, 2009

An act to add Section 66205.3 to the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 147, as introduced, DeSaulnier. University of California and California State University: career technical education courses.

The Donahoe Higher Education Act sets forth, among other things, the missions and functions of California's public and independent segments of higher education and their respective institutions of higher education. Existing law establishes the California State University, under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, and the University of California, under the administration of the Regents of the University of California, as 2 of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. The act provides that its provisions apply to the University of California only to the extent that the regents act, by resolution, to make these provisions applicable.

A provision of the act requires the California State University and the University of California to establish model academic standards for high school courses for pupils who wish to attend those institutions.

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to coordinate the development, on a cyclical basis, of model curriculum standards for a high school career technical course of study. Existing law also requires the superintendent to develop a career technical curriculum framework based on prescribed criteria.

This bill, notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning January 1, 2014, would require the trustees and strongly urge the regents to recognize the completion of all high school career technical education

courses that meet the model curriculum standards as satisfying the completion of a general elective course requirement for purposes of admission to that university.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66205.3 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 66205.3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning
4 January 1, 2014, the Trustees of the California State University
5 shall, and the Regents of the University of California are strongly
6 urged to, recognize the completion of all high school career
7 technical education courses that meet the model curriculum
8 standards established pursuant to Section 51226 as satisfying the
9 completion of a general elective course requirement for purposes
10 of admission to that university.

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